

**IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**

J. DOES 1-26,

Plaintiffs-Appellees,

v.

ELON MUSK, in his official capacity; UNITED
STATES DOGE SERVICE; DEPARTMENT
OF GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY,

Defendants-Appellants.

No. 25-1273

JOINT STATUS REPORT

On June 9, 2025, the Court granted the government’s motion to hold this appeal in abeyance “for the district court to resolve the motion to dismiss or otherwise issue any subsequent appealable order” and directed the parties to file regular status reports. The parties filed status reports on July 9, 2025, and August 8, 2025.

On August 13, 2025, the district court denied the government’s motion to dismiss. The government is currently considering whether to seek permission to pursue an interlocutory appeal under 28 U.S.C. § 1292(b). The government respectfully requests that this Court continue to hold this appeal in abeyance to afford the Solicitor General sufficient time to make that determination.

Respectfully submitted,

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